

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Applicant(s): MORRISON, Allan D. Examiner: Siefke, Samuel P.  
Title: **STORAGE CONTAINER FOR BIOLOGICAL SAMPLE AND METHOD FOR  
ANALYZING THE SAMPLE**

**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION, 37 CFR § 1.116**

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To the Commissioner:

In response to the Final Office Action dated September 4, 2009, the time period for response thereto being set to expire March 4, 2010, by virtue of the Petition for Three-Month Extension of Time filed herewith, Applicant requests favorable reconsideration in view of the following amendment, accompanying remarks, and Request for Continued Examination filed herewith.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Applicant's Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.

**A Request for Continued Examination** is filed herewith.

**Petition for Extension of Time:** Applicants hereby petition to extend the time period for response to the Final Office Action dated September 4, 2009, for three months, to March 4, 2010. The required fee is submitted herewith.